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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### PRESENTED BY:

## Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:* 

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to protecting children from Bisphenol-A.

### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Bradford Hill	4th Essex
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	4th Hampden
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
Nicholas A. Boldyga	3rd Hampden
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Matthew A. Beaton	11th Worcester

#### HOUSE . No. 1992

By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1992) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to the use of Bisphenol-A in certain baby products. Public Health.

#### **[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION** SEE $\square$ HOUSE

, NO. 2360 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to protecting children from Bisphenol-A.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 224 2 of the acts of 2012, is hereby further amended by inserting after section 228 the following new 3 section -

4 Section 229. (a) As used in this section the following terms shall have the following 5 meanings:-

6 "Child care product", all pacifiers and reusable beverage containers intended for use by children three years of age or younger for the consumption of food or liquids including, but not 7 limited to, the following: pacifiers, baby bottles, baby bottle liners, and cups, cup lids, straws, 8 9 and sippy cups.

10 "Commissioner", the commissioner of public health.

"Department", the department of public health. 11

12 "Infant formula", means a milk-based, soy-based, or amino acid-based powder,

13 concentrated liquid, or ready-to-feed substitute for human breast milk that is intended for infant

consumption and that is commercially available. 14

15 "Baby food", means a prepared solid food consisting of a soft paste or an easily chewed

16 food that is intended for consumption by children two years of age or younger and is

17 commercially available.

(b) Beginning January 1, 2012, no person or entity shall manufacture, sell, or distribute inthe commonwealth any child care product containing bisphenol A.

(c) Beginning January 1, 2012, no person or entity shall manufacture, sell, or distribute in
the commonwealth any infant formula or baby food stored in a plastic container, jar, or can that
contains bisphenol A.

23 (d) Manufacturers shall use the least toxic alternative when replacing bisphenol A in24 accordance with this section.

(e) Manufacturers shall not replace bisphenol A, pursuant to this section, with
carcinogens rated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as A, B, or C carcinogens
or substances listed on the EPA's "List of Chemicals Evaluated for Carcinogenic Potential" as
known or likely carcinogens, known to be human carcinogens, likely to be human carcinogens,
or suggestive of being carcinogens.

30 (f) Manufacturers shall not replace bisphenol A, pursuant to this section, with
31 reproductive toxicants that the EPA has identified as causing birth defects, reproductive harm, or
32 developmental harm.

(g) The commissioner shall place bisphenol A on the lists of toxic substances, hazardous
substances, and banned hazardous substances when bisphenol A is contained in child care
products, or infant formula or baby food containers.

36 (h)The department is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as it shall deem37 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.